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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3.  Specification [Total Pages 9]   
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  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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First Inventor	Peter THIESSEN
Title	A HOOP FOR A SAFETY
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
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1003	530	2003	265		Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385		Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80		Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$ 385)				

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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2	- 3** = 0	x 0	= 0
Multiple Dependent			

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1202	18	2202	9		Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43		Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145		Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43		** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9		** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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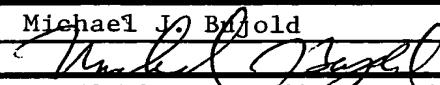
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1053	130	1053	130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55 Extension for reply within first month	
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1253	950	2253	475 Extension for reply within third month	
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1401	330	2401	165 Notice of Appeal	
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1451	1,510	1451	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503	640	2503	320 Plant issue fee	
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1806	180	1806	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
1809	770	2809	385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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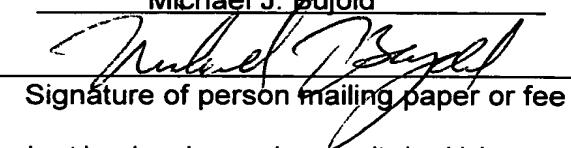
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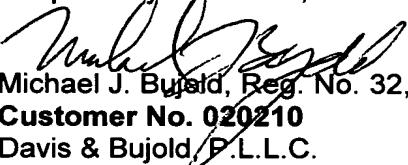
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**SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Enclosed please find six (6) sheets of formal drawings which are to be entered in this case.

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